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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG, CY
SUBJ: CYPRUS MISSING PERSONS

1. MEZVINSKY AND ROWE MET WITH TURKISH PERM REP TURKMEN
AND LATER WITH FM CHRISTOPHIDES ON NOV. 10 IN EFFORT TO
BRIDGE GAP ON COMPOSITION OF INVESTIGATORY COMMITTEE.
TURKEMN WAS RESPONSIVE TO ARGUMENTS ON IMPORTANCE OF
THIRD-MEMBER TO BE DESIGNATED BY SYG. HE AGREED TO SEEK
REACTION IN ANKARA IMMEDIATELY BUT SAID HE WOULD WANT
TO HOLD OUT CONDITION THAT THIRD COMMITTEE DEBATE ON MISSING
PERSONS WOULD BE CANCELLED AND THERE WOULD BE NO RESOLUTION
ON MISSING PERSONS DURING THIS GENERAL ASSEMBLY.
MEZVINSKY SAID WE WOULD APPROACH FM CHRISTOPHIDES ON WITH-
DRAWING HIS DRAFT RESOLUTION. MEZVINSKY ALSO MADE POINT
THAT APPOINTED MEMBER OF COMMITTEE SHOULD BE MUTUALLY
AGREED UPON, I.E. HE WOULD BE APPOINTED IN CONSULTATIONS
WITH THE SYG.

2. TURKMEN SAID HE WOULD TAKE ACTION IMMEDIATELY. HE
REALIZED THIRD COMMITTEE ACTION WAS SCHEDULED WITHIN
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NEXT TWO WEEKS. HE ALSO SUGGESTED COMMITTEE BE CALLED A
WORKING GROUP ON MISSING PERSONS. WE REPLIED THAT THIS
SHOULD POSE NO PROBLEM.

3. FM CHRISTOPHIDES WHOM WE SAW ONE-HOUR LATER SAID HE
WOULD NOT INSIST ON A RESOLUTION OR DEBATE. "A RESOLUTION
IS ANOTHER PIECE OF PAPER." HE SAW THE TRADE-OFF OF NO

THIRD COMMITTEE DEBATE FOR TURKISH SIDE'S ACCEPTANCE OF A THIRD-MEMBER, WHO WOULD VOTE BUT WHO WOULD NOT CHAIR. CHRISTOPHIDES CLARIFIED THAT MAJORITY DECISION WOULD OBTAIN WHEN THERE WAS NO CONSENSUS AMONG THE THREE MEMBERS. HE ALSO STRESSED THAT TURKISH OFFICIAL ADHERENCE WAS ESSENTIAL GIVEN THE PARTS OF THE ISLAND OCCUPIED BY THE TURKISH ARMY. HE ALSO NOTED THAT THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH SIDE WOULD REQUIRE ASSISTANTS AND HOPED THIS WOULD NOT POSE A PROBLEM. WE REPLIED THAT THE WORKLOAD COULD WELL DEMAND ASSISTANTS PROVIDED THEY WERE NOT TOO OBTRUSIVE IN THE FUNCTIONING OF THE COMMITTEE'S DELIBERATIONS.

4. CHRISTOPHIDES ASKED HOW SOON THE COMMITTEE COULD BE ESTABLISHED. HE WOULD BE LEAVING NEW YORK ON SATURDAY AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AN AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE BEFORE THEN. HE WAS AGREEABLE TO OUR SUGGESTION THAT THE COMMITTEE COULD BE LAUNCHED WITH AN ANNOUNCEMENT/STATEMENT BY THE SECRETARY-GENERAL. INCIDENTALLY, TURKMEN WAS ALSO AGREEABLE TO THIS PROPOSAL. MEANWHILE AT OUR RECOMMENDATION SECRETARIAT IS REVIEWING NAMES OF POSSIBLE CANDIDATES FOR THE THIRD MEMBER.

5. FINALLY CHRISTOPHIDES AND CELIK MET AT NOON NOV. 10. WHILE WE ANTICIPATE THERE WAS AN IMPASSE ON THE THIRD-MEMBER AT THIS DISCUSSION, BOTH SIDES KNOW OF AMB. TURKMEN'S REACTION AND HIS SEEKING INSTRUCTIONS FROM CONFIDENTIAL

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ANKARA. WE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH CHRISTOPHIDES' AND CELIK'S AIDES FOR INFORMATION ON THEIR MEETING. WE WILL ALSO BE IN CONTACT WITH TURKMEN, CHRISTOPHIDES, AND CELIK ON NOVEMBER 11.
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